Products that earn the ENERGY STAR® prevent greenhouse gas emissions by meeting strict energy efficiency guidelines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy. www.energystar.gov

FAST FACTS

Change a Light and help Change the World

- If every American household replaces just one traditional light with an ENERGY STAR-qualified bulb, we will save enough energy to light 7 million homes, save \$600 million in utility bills, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to 1 million cars.
- With the average home containing more than 30 light fixtures, lighting accounts for nearly 20 percent of energy costs.
- To save more energy and money, replace your high-use light fixtures or the bulbs in them with ENERGY STAR qualified ones. Changing just five light fixtures in this way can save you more than \$60 every year in energy costs.

ENERGY STAR Qualified Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs):

- Use at least two-thirds less energy than standard bulbs, last at least 6 times longer, and are backed by a minimum two-year warranty.
- Save \$25 over each bulb's lifetime.
- Prevent 500 pounds of emissions over each bulb's lifetime, or about 500 pounds of coal.
- Provide the same amount of light (lumens) as incandescent bulbs, but use fewer Watts.

ENERGY STAR Qualified Light Fixtures:

- Come in hundreds of styles including portable fixtures such as table, desk, floor and torchiere lamps – and hard-wired fixtures – such as outdoor, cabinet, suspended, ceilingmount, recessed, wall-mount, and ceiling fans.
- Usually come with pin-based compact fluorescent light bulbs that last up to 10 times longer and generate 70 percent less heat than standard incandescent bulbs, only needing replacement every seven years on average.

Pledge to Change a Light

 Join us in changing the world, one light – one step – at a time. Take the online Pledge to Change a Light at, www.energystar.gov/changealight.

Support Across the Country

Thousands of ENERGY STAR partners – retail stores, manufacturers, energy efficiency organizations, universities, and non-profit organizations – are marking Change a Light Day. Many partners are offering special deals on energy-efficient lighting throughout October and November in support of the national campaign.



ENERGY STAR: More than Lighting

Lighting is one of the easiest adjustments we can make at home. Saving energy at home
is as simple as looking for the ENERGY STAR label because more than 40 product
categories feature the government's ENERGY STAR label. To learn more, visit
 <u>www.energystar.gov</u> or call 1-888-STAR-YES (1-888-782-7937).